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In the Drawing:

Corrected Drawings are attached

Annotation:

Fig. 2 was modified by correcting mislabeled 47 to proper label 72.

Fig. 4 was modified by correcting mislabeled 72 to proper label 71.

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EX PARTE INTERVIEW

As discussed with the Examiner, Applicant requests an interview with the Examiner to discuss any potential questions or issues that the Examiner may have prior to the next Office Action.

RCE filing

This Response is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. The proper fee and form is attached.

REMARKS - General

The Application would argue that the movable vehicle locator swivel plate is one of the keys to this current invention. This movable vehicle locator swivel plate is easy to move and to use making it easy for a user to balance the load of the towing device. It is designed for use for front two tires of the vehicle being towed. The movable vehicle locator swivel plate is not disclosed in either referenced patents US Pat. 4,578,014 by Colet or US Pat. 5,468,115 by Alvis. It is designed to be simple to move and can easily be moved by hand without the need of wrenches, pulleys or wire like in the Colet and Alvis patents. A user would just lift it from the base and reposition it based on the type of vehicle being towed.

With all due respect to the Examiner, Alvis' items 11 and 12 are not and do not function as a locator swivel plate as defined in the current Invention. Item 12 is a flat lower level and 11 is an upper level that is moved up and down to the flat level. In the current invention the locator swivel plate is one item and is not an upper or lower level nor is it part of the frame of the base. It is attached to the base but can be repositioned on the base to balance the load of the vehicle being towed as shown in Figures 4 and 5. Colet does not have a locator swivel plate either. The locator swivel plate is unique to the Applicant's invention.

The current device also allows the balancing of the load by allowing the user to reposition the racks in the front of the towing device depending on the recreation vehicle being carried. This allows for double balancing of the position of the towed vehicle and the recreation vehicle a novel concept that is not in either the Colet and Alvis patents. These racks are also easy to move and use.

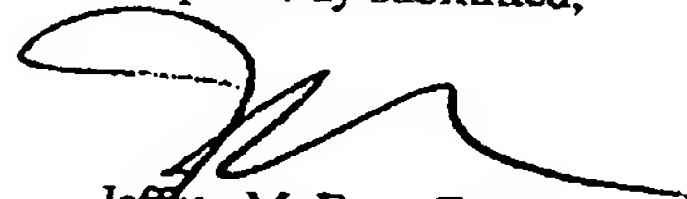
Since the device does not load the towed vehicle on it, it is shorter in length than either the Colet or Alvis devices which have the whole towed vehicle on the device.

Also applicants have rewritten all claims to define the invention more particularly and distinctly so as to overcome the technical rejections and define the invention patentably over the prior art.

Conclusion

For all of the above reasons, applicant submits that the specification and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims all define patentably over prior art. Therefore the applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

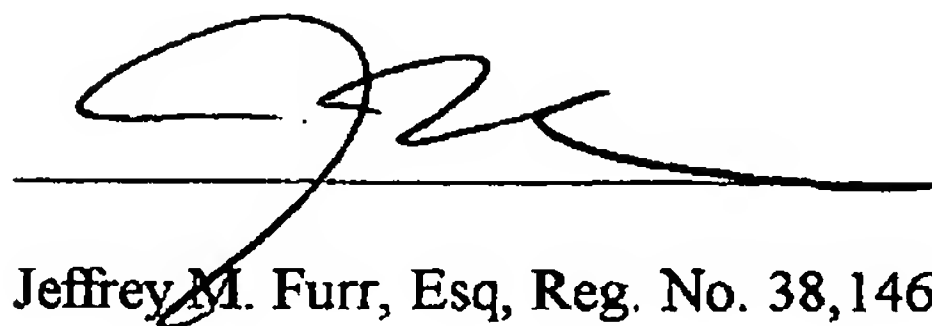


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